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**RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION**

In response to the Final Rejection of April 20, 2009, please amend said application as set forth on the attached claim pages and discussed briefly below.

Amend claim 1 to patentably distinguish Applicant's invention over the cited references.

Cancel claim 3 without bias or prejudice.

Amend claim 4 by changing the dependency thereof from claim 3 to claim 1.

Cancel claim 5 without bias or prejudice.

Amend claim 6 by changing the dependency thereof from claim 5 to claim 1 and by better defining the location of the arcuate sections of dielectric material which extend along the slot of the acoustic projector.